

Bringing Real-World Experience to the B-School Classroom Announcing the January 2011 AACSB Bridge Program Graduates

Experienced professionals from diverse industries completed AACSB's most recent Bridge Program at The Paul Merage School of Business at the University of California, Irvine. Coming from organizations such as Bank of America, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, TIAA-CREF, Mass Mutual Financial Group, and Nautilus Healthcare Management Group, these graduates are ready and eager to begin their teaching careers in business education.

Since its inception five years ago, the AACSB Bridge Program has prepared more than 250 senior-level executives for careers in the classroom. Graduates from previous classes have been hired by many AACSB-accredited schools, including Northwestern University, Texas A&M University, Wake Forest University, the University of California, Irvine and Pepperdine University. All graduates are pre-screened to ensure they meet general AACSB accreditation standards for professionally-qualified faculty prior to being accepted into the Bridge Program.

With backgrounds in business and non-profit fields including accounting, banking, corporate social responsibility, entrepreneurship, education, finance, health care, insurance, logistics and sustainability, the graduates' teaching specialties cover a broad range of business curricula. The January 2011 grads are **Thomas H. Antunez, Richard DeGabrielle, Charles T. Fagan, Jessie George, Teri O. Grimmer, Jerome B. Johnson, Sr., Anh-Tuan Le, Robert J. Louk, Lawrence A. Martin, III, Lee D. Miller, Thomas P. Ryan, Wayne R. Sass, Lori L. Smith, Kevin M. Sweeney, and Frederick P. White.**

To learn more about the January 2011 Bridge Program graduates, including their academic specialties, visit [AACSB's online database](#) or contact Robyn Hall, senior manager of seminars, at robyn@aacsb.edu or +1 813 769 6536.

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Do you already have professionally qualified faculty at your school, or have hired someone to start in the fall that could benefit from this experience? Many graduates of the AACSB Bridge Program have been sponsored by b-schools, including The University of Texas at Austin, Penn State Erie, The Behrend College, University of California, Irvine, and Xavier University. The AACSB Bridge Program prepares graduates to:

- Understand the academic culture and today's student
- Discover what makes truly great teachers
- Develop effective teaching skills and the fundamentals of course development and delivery
- Gain valuable insight into the student learning process
- Understand the implications of assurance of learning in the classroom, and how to create an effective syllabus

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